

Program F: Contract Services

Program Authorization: R.S. 46:1901-1923

Program Description

The mission of the Contract Services Program is to ensure that youth receive services in the most appropriate, least restrictive manner, including residential, day treatment, in-home, or other programs that will promote the well-being of the youth and provide for public safety. The Contract Services Program provides a community-based system of care that provides a humane environment and addresses the needs of youth committed to custody and/or supervision. Particular attention is given to the appropriate placement of offenders who are suitable for placement in the community. This is accomplished through the development and implementation of risk assessment models to determine levels of custody and supervision. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections has developed standard operating procedures (SOPs) to be followed by community contractors who house juvenile offenders in residential or nonresidential facilities. These SOPs include provisions for American Correctional Association (ACA) accreditation.

The goals of the Contract Services Program are:

1. Continue to develop, coordinate, and implement a community-based residential and nonresidential system of care treatment for juvenile offenders consistent with the needs of the youth and their families as well as public safety.
2. Maximize public safety through appropriate and effective correctional, custodial, and supervisory programs.
3. Provide for the safety of the correctional staff and inmates by maintaining an organized and disciplined system of operations that promotes stability in the institution.
4. Ensure that basic services relating to adequate food, clothing, and shelter are provided to the offender population.
5. Provide the maximum available bed space allowable by the State Fire Marshal, Department of Health and Hospitals, ACA requirements, budgeted resources, and good correctional practices.
6. Increase the probability of inmates being successful when reintegrated into society by providing literacy, academic, and vocational educational programs, and religious guidance programs.
7. Provide benefits to the state and local government by requiring all able-bodied offenders to participate in institutional programs and on-the-job training.

RESOURCE ALLOCATION FOR THE PROGRAM

	ACTUAL 2001-2002	ACT 13 2002-2003	EXISTING 2002-2003	2003-2004	RECOMMENDED 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$22,490,687	\$18,418,206	\$18,418,206	\$18,418,206	\$16,418,206	(\$2,000,000)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	1,700,000	5,310,000	5,561,000	5,561,000	7,310,000	1,749,000
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	214,741	168,579	168,579	168,579	168,579	0
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	248,550	254,850	254,850	254,850	254,850	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$24,653,978	\$24,151,635	\$24,402,635	\$24,402,635	\$24,151,635	(\$251,000)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Compensation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Related Benefits	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other Charges	24,653,978	24,151,635	24,402,635	24,402,635	24,151,635	(251,000)
Total Acq. & Major Repairs	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$24,653,978	\$24,151,635	\$24,402,635	\$24,402,635	\$24,151,635	(\$251,000)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

SOURCE OF FUNDING

This program is funded with State General Fund, Interagency Transfers, Fees and Self generated Revenues and Federal Funds. Interagency Transfers are derived from the Division of Children, Youth and Family Services for the cost of placement of children who are eligible under the Title IV-E guidelines. The Fees and Self-generated Revenues are derived from the parents of children who are assessed a fee to pay for their children in placement. Federal Funds are derived from Social Security for Supplemental Security Income payments for eligible offenders as reimbursement to the agency for the offender's cost of placement.

MAJOR FINANCIAL CHANGES

GENERAL FUND	TOTAL	T.O.	DESCRIPTION
\$18,418,206	\$24,151,635	0	ACT 13 FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003
			BA-7 TRANSACTIONS:
\$0	\$251,000	0	BA-7 increasing Interagency Transfer Revenues to accept IAT from Schedule 20-945 for Southern Community Center Shelter Care Program
\$18,418,206	\$24,402,635	0	EXISTING OPERATING BUDGET - December 2, 2002
(\$306,450)	(\$306,450)	0	Non-recur funding to Horizon House Shelter Care Facility
(\$300,000)	(\$300,000)	0	Non-recur additional funding to Ware Youth Center Shelter Care Facility
(\$503,050)	(\$503,050)	0	Non-recur funding to Johnny Grey Jones Shelter Care Facility
(\$300,000)	(\$300,000)	0	Non-recur funding for Vernon House Shelter Care Facility
(\$275,000)	(\$275,000)	0	Non-recur funding for the Tutorial Education Program
(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)	0	Non-recur funding to Novice House Shelter Care Facility
(\$100,000)	(\$100,000)	0	Non-recur funding to Harbor House Shelter Care Facility
(\$750,000)	(\$750,000)	0	Non-recur funding to residential facilities in the Livingston, St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Washington, and St. Tammany areas.
(\$245,244)	(\$245,244)	0	Non-recur funding to Hope Youth Ranch Residential Facility
\$0	(\$251,000)	0	Non-recur IAT for Southern Community Center Shelter Care Program
\$2,829,744	\$2,829,744	0	Other Adjustments - Funding for maintenance of FY 02-03 level of Contract Services residential and non-residential slots. Department will seek competitive bids for services to address needs for juvenile residential and day treatment programs.
(\$2,000,000)	\$0	0	Means of financing substitution - replace State General Fund with Interagency Transfers to reflect additional Federal receipts (Title IV-E funds) transferred from the Department of Social Services. These funds are made available due to increased number of juveniles who qualify for Title IV-E funds. To maximize Federal reimbursement, specific funding for specific contract facilities has been non-recurred. However, total funding for Contract Services residential and non-residential slots remains approximately the same as in FY 02-03.
\$16,418,206	\$24,151,635	0	TOTAL RECOMMENDED
\$0	\$0	0	LESS GOVERNOR'S SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS
\$16,418,206	\$24,151,635	0	BASE EXECUTIVE BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004

MAJOR FINANCIAL CHANGES

GENERAL FUND	TOTAL	T.O.	DESCRIPTION
			SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT ON NEW REVENUE:
\$0	\$0	0	None
\$0	\$0	0	TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT UPON RENEWAL OF THE SUSPENSION OF EXEMPTIONS TO THE 1% SALES TAX BASE
\$16,418,206	\$24,151,635	0	GRAND TOTAL RECOMMENDED

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This program does not have funding for Professional Services for Fiscal Year 2003-2004.

OTHER CHARGES

\$24,151,635 Payments to contracted agencies for juveniles who are in need of supervision by providing residential treatment and foster care services, temporary emergency housing for minor delinquencies and nonresidential services aimed at diverting youth from further penetration into the juvenile justice system.

\$24,151,635 TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

\$0 This program does not have funding for Acquisitions and Major Repairs for Fiscal Year 2003-2004.

\$0 TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS